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Newsletter

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Miss Vajen E. Hitz, recently appointed to the Department Library, came to us from the Indiana State Library. She is working at present in the Catalogue Division, as is also Mrs. Dailey, who was in the Periodical Division for about a month.

A new assistant in the Periodical Division is Mr. Oliver Shipley.

Among the items of bibliographical news in the Library Journal for January 15 was one of special interest. The journal speaks of it as the "event of the year in American bibliography". It is the publication of the first part of Mr. Wilberforce Eames' continuation of "Sabin's Dictionary of books relating to America". The journal says: "This is numbered as Part 117 of the whole work and continues the dictionary from where it was broken off thirty-five years ago at page 196 of vol. 20 in the midst of the 'Smiths'. The importance of this continuance of a long interrupted set, under such great editorship, can not be overestimated." This part has been received in the Department Library.

The Bindery Division would like to say for the benefit of those who are becoming a little impatient for books from the Bindery, that the greater part of the books sent last July have been returned and the rest are expected soon. A few of the September books have also been returned. These are being prepared for the shelves as quickly as possible. We are continuing to letter the books from the bindery in gold, except those with light colored bindings. These have the call number written in black indelible ink on the binding itself, instead of on a white label.

Mr. Katsura, who has taken the place of Mr. Yoshikawa in Mr. Swingle's office in the Bureau of Plant Industry, has been over recently to help us classify the Japanese publications which have accumulated since Mr. Yoshikawa left.

Miss Roberta Chapman of the Catalogue Division is devoting half of her time to the compilation of an annotated bibliography on "Dwarfing in Plants". This work is being done for Dr. Lee M. Hutchins of the Bureau of Plant Industry and Miss Chapman will be paid from B. P. I. funds for the time she spends on it. Dr. Hutchins is working on the disease known as "Pony Peach", which has been causing serious losses in the peach orchards of Georgia. The most notable effect of this disease is a severe dwarfing, and it is hoped that a thorough survey of the material on this subject may bring to light facts that will be of help in discovering the cause of the disease and methods of control.

The new "Book of Washington" recently issued under the sponsorship of the Washington Board of Trade, has the following paragraph under the heading "Library of the Department of Agriculture". What do you think of its adequacy?

"The Department of Agriculture Library has probably the largest collection of unique and interesting photographs in the world, made by the department experts and explorers in all

REPORT

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During the year 1910, the Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, has been engaged in a study of the various diseases of plants which are caused by fungi, bacteria, and viruses. The results of this study are reported in this report.

The following are the diseases of plants which are caused by fungi:

1. *Ascochyta blight* - This disease is caused by the fungus *Ascochyta blight*. It is a very common disease of plants, and is caused by the fungus *Ascochyta blight*. The symptoms of this disease are the appearance of small, dark, water-soaked spots on the leaves and stems of the plant. These spots gradually enlarge and become necrotic. The disease is most common in plants which are grown in wet, cool weather.

2. *Septoria blight* - This disease is caused by the fungus *Septoria blight*. It is a very common disease of plants, and is caused by the fungus *Septoria blight*. The symptoms of this disease are the appearance of small, dark, water-soaked spots on the leaves and stems of the plant. These spots gradually enlarge and become necrotic. The disease is most common in plants which are grown in wet, cool weather.

3. *Anthracnose* - This disease is caused by the fungus *Anthracnose*. It is a very common disease of plants, and is caused by the fungus *Anthracnose*. The symptoms of this disease are the appearance of small, dark, water-soaked spots on the leaves and stems of the plant. These spots gradually enlarge and become necrotic. The disease is most common in plants which are grown in wet, cool weather.

4. *Verticillium wilt* - This disease is caused by the fungus *Verticillium wilt*. It is a very common disease of plants, and is caused by the fungus *Verticillium wilt*. The symptoms of this disease are the wilting and drooping of the plant, and the appearance of small, dark, water-soaked spots on the leaves and stems of the plant. These spots gradually enlarge and become necrotic. The disease is most common in plants which are grown in wet, cool weather.

5. *Tomato late blight* - This disease is caused by the fungus *Tomato late blight*. It is a very common disease of plants, and is caused by the fungus *Tomato late blight*. The symptoms of this disease are the appearance of small, dark, water-soaked spots on the leaves and stems of the plant. These spots gradually enlarge and become necrotic. The disease is most common in plants which are grown in wet, cool weather.

6. *Tomato early blight* - This disease is caused by the fungus *Tomato early blight*. It is a very common disease of plants, and is caused by the fungus *Tomato early blight*. The symptoms of this disease are the appearance of small, dark, water-soaked spots on the leaves and stems of the plant. These spots gradually enlarge and become necrotic. The disease is most common in plants which are grown in wet, cool weather.

parts of the world. They number nearly 150,000 and represent more than fifty years of research in every part of the world. The library is stocked with several thousand volumes of books relating to agriculture. On the fourth floor of the Bureau of Animal Industry is the Government's model dairy, which may be seen by visitors."

The desk lamp fell off of Miss Colvin's desk on to Miss Colvin the other day and fractured her finger. Was this injury sustained in the line of duty?

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

General meetings on the Outlook Report which will be issued January 30th are being held all this week. The assistant chief characterizes this as one of the most important pieces of work this bureau is doing. Representatives from agricultural colleges and extension services in about twenty states are attending the meetings and taking part in the discussions.

A partial revision of Agricultural Economics Bibliography no. 5, Long-Time Agricultural Programs in the United States, was issued December 21, 1927, for use at meetings of the American Farm Economics Society.

"Control of Production of Agricultural Products by Governments", a selected bibliography compiled by Mrs. Hannay, has been issued as Agricultural Economics Bibliography no. 23. It is dated December, 1927, but was not distributed until early in January.

An unexpected demand for the list of references on Freight Rates and Agriculture issued in November has made it necessary to have this list mimeographed again.

The Library's latest display on its bulletin board has been causing favorable comment. It is headed "The Human Side of Agriculture" and gives the subject headings under which that side may be found in the catalogue. Pictures of peasants from many lands attract attention to the display.

Bureau of Animal Industry Library

International inter-library book loans have been rather rare in our experience, but we have lent books to foreign countries two or three times, and recently borrowed one. Dr. Hassall, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, was extremely desirous of consulting a book by Chabert, on diseases of domestic animals caused by worms, which was published in 1789, and which we have not been able to find in this country. We wrote to the Veterinary and Agricultural High School in Copenhagen to ask whether they could have a photostat copy made for us from their own and instead of doing this they sent us the book itself as a loan. Dr. Hassall was greatly delighted and has had a copy made for our Library, for which we are printing cards. A year or two ago we borrowed a German dissertation from the University of Hamburg.

Bureau of Entomology Library

Miss Hawes has just returned from a week's visit at her home in Massachusetts. She reports a charming new niece and mild weather.

Strange to say Entomology Library has not been enjoying mild weather of late and our chilly rooms have given Miss Carabelli a cold which has kept her at home for two days.

Dr. J. W. Folsom, author of the very useful "Entomology with special reference to its ecological aspects" is visiting us this week and has promised us a complete set of his separates.

Miss Elizabeth Frazer's article on the Bureau appeared in the Saturday Evening Post of January 7, 1928. Last week Mr. W. A. DuPuy was here gathering material for an article soon to appear in the World's Work.

Office of Experiment Stations Library

Miss Mildred Wilson, who came to the Department Library at the beginning of the year, has been detailed to the Office of Experiment Stations Library. She is a graduate of Northland College.

Bureau of Plant Industry Library

Beginning this month, the Library has made some adjustments in assignment of work. The verifying of citations in bureau manuscripts, which has been a part of our library work for a number of years, is being turned over to Mrs. Joseph who will handle our manuscripts as she does those of the other bureaus of the Department. Being relieved of this work, Miss Sherman will have more time to give needed assistance with bibliographical projects of the bureau. Miss Pendleton is spending part time at the main Library each day assisting Miss Atwood. Miss Long, who assists with the periodical work, is in charge of that desk when Miss Pendleton is not here.

Prepared by Minna Gill.

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February 23, 1928.

Miss Barnett and Miss Wilkins left yesterday for a three weeks' automobile trip to Florida.

Miss Harriet E. Welsh, who has been serving as typist in the Catalogue Division, resigned recently to take a position as stenographer in the U. S. Employees Compensation Commission. James Dugan, has been doing some of her work and Mr. Shipley is acting as the third Loan Desk Assistant in Mr. Dugan's place.

Sylvester McCarthy, formerly a messenger in the Office of Experiment Stations Library, has been appointed as messenger in the main Library. He is helping John Carr shelve books.

Miss Eleanor Hegeman has been appointed to a position in the Department Library. Her work will probably be as assistant to Miss Wilkins at the continuation desk. Miss Hegeman took library training at Pratt Institute Library School and has worked in the Brooklyn Public Library, the Superintendent of Documents' Office, the Public Health Service, and just now comes to us from the Library of the U. S. Engineers' School. She begins work March 1st.

The Department Library reading room has had a number of visitors from outside the Department recently. Mr. Ernest Thompson Seton worked here for several days and our users have included representatives from Japan, Sweden, and New South Wales, besides Cornell, Delaware Experiment Station, and Vermont Experiment Station.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

Among visitors to the library recently were Dr. Eveline M. Burns of the London School of Economics and Political Science; A. J. Beyleveld of Steynsburg, South Africa; and Prof. Fred E. Clark of Northwestern University, who is spending six weeks here working on a book on the marketing of agricultural products.

Miss Barnett and Miss Lacy have been appointed members of the committee on arrangements for the entertainment of the Special Libraries Association, May 21-23, of which Mr. Dorsey Hyde is chairman.

Miss Olcott and Miss Carpenter represented the library at the Cataloguers' dinner last Saturday.

Bureau of Chemistry Library

Mrs. Gill is in Providence, Rhode Island, for a short visit with her family. She has been away since February 16th and will return to her duties here next Monday.

GENERAL

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Bureau of Entomology Library

Miss Carabelli is spending some time at her home in Youngstown, Ohio, because of the serious illness of her mother. She left here February 18th.

Office of Experiment Stations Library

Miss C. E. Pennington is spending several weeks with her sister in Miami, Florida. She sent the library a beautiful box of tropical flowers which made us all wish that we could be in Florida with her.

Prepared by Mrs. Edith J. Webb.

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March 30, 1928.

We have had no announcements yet of visits of outoftown library schools but we have not been without excitement of this sort. The George Washington University advanced library students spent two evenings of two hours each with us, on March 1 and March 8, from 7 to 9. We entertained them on the first evening by talks about the Department Library, by Miss Hawks, Miss Thompson and Miss Hopper, and about the bureau libraries by Miss Allen, Miss Atwood, and Miss Colcord, and by a sight seeing trip around the Library. The second evening was devoted to the other bureau libraries and talks were given by Miss Evans, Mrs. Nystrom, Miss Feldkamp, Miss Beckwith, and Miss Olcott, and the rest of the time was devoted to a visit to the Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library.

On March 28th we had a visit from eight students of the Simmons, Pratt, and Drexel library schools who are here for practice work at the Public Library.

Miss Barnett and Miss Wilkins returned on March 15th from a three weeks' motor trip to Florida.

Sylvester McCarthy, who was with us for a month shelving books, has left and his place is taken by Frank La Scola.

Mrs. Lois Dailey, who has been with us since last Fall, has resigned her position to take up home duties.

Recent visitors from outside the Department included Dr. Wright, of Reading, England, Dr. Karns of Mellon Institute, and Mr. Max Meisel of New York, who is working on the third volume of his Bibliography of American Natural History. You may remember that Mr. Meisel received the Oberly prize for the first volume of this.

Miss Ruth Hohnhaus has been appointed as typist in the Catalogue Division to take the place of Miss Welsh who resigned last month.

Almost all the young men in the Library (seven, to be exact), and two of the girls, took the library examinations of various grades on March 21st. We had only four men folks around that day.

The author part of the second decennial index to Chemical Abstracts has been published recently, to our great joy. The editor from time to time has sent us lists of references to verify, and we have just received the following very nice letter from him. Since he makes a general statement about library workers, we thought you might be interested in it: "You helped us very greatly in connection with our Decennial Index by looking up questions which were continually coming up. I want you to know that this help is very much appreciated. I have always admired the spirit of service which seems

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The first of the series of papers in this volume is by Mr. J. H. Pomeroy, who discusses the history of the University of Chicago from its foundation in 1890 to the present. He traces the growth of the institution from a small college to a large university, and discusses the various factors which have contributed to its success. He also discusses the role of the University in the development of the city and the state.

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to be characteristic of library folks. Your help on the Decennial Index was certainly a good example. Thank you. We get a good many rare chemical journals and will be more than glad if we can help you out at any time by lending any of these."

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

Miss Lacy is recovering slowly from an attack of the grip which has kept her in bed for the past three weeks.

The Poultry Industry, a selected list of references on the economic aspects of the industry, 1920-1927, is the title of Agricultural Economics Bibliography no. 24, compiled by Louise O. Bercaw, and dated February, 1928. It contains 104 pages.

Hearings are being held before the subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Agriculture which is investigating the cotton exchanges and the cotton price work of this bureau. It is expected that the investigation will continue for some time.

Two members of the staff, Miss Muriel Wright and Miss Margaret Harrison, took the library examinations last week.

The class in Library Science from George Washington University visited the library on the evening of March 8th. Among other recent visitors was Mrs. Eva Shively, formerly Librarian of the Bureau of Home Economics.

Bureau of Dairy Industry Library

A book has recently been issued entitled "Fundamentals of Dairy Science", written by 28 present and former members of the laboratory staff of the Bureau of Dairy Industry and dedicated to Dr. L. A. Rogers as a testimonial of his quarter century of research work of the bureau. Dr. Rogers is in charge of the research laboratories of the bureau and at present is Acting Chief of the bureau. The book contains 543 pages and is published by the Chemical Catalog Company. It is a presentation of scientific facts underlying the dairy industry. Commercial processes have been treated as illustrations of the application of fundamental physical, chemical or biological principles rather than from an industrial point of view. More than 1300 references are cited, affording a means of immediate contact with practically all of the original work in the various phases of the science. Part I covers the composition of milk and milk products, and the chemistry of the milk proteins, fat, pigments, and lactose. Part II deals with acid-base, oxidation-reduction, and other physical equilibria of milk, and with coagulation and freezing. Part III discusses bacteria, yeast, and molds from the standpoint of sources, metabolism, growth, and influence of physical and chemical factors. Part IV discusses in considerable detail the value of milk and milk products as food, and the various factors affecting milk secretion.

Work has been begun on a supplement to Bibliographical Contribution no 6, Partial List of Publications on Dairying issued in the United States from 1900 to June, 1923.

Dr. Norman C. Wright of the National Institute for Research in Dairying at Reading, England, who is in the United States on a Commonwealth Fellowship, is now working at the Dairy Research Laboratories at Beltsville, Maryland, for a period of three months on the problem of Nutrition of Dairy Animals, particularly in relation to milk secretion.

Mr. H. M. Evans of the anatomical laboratory of the University of California, who is employed jointly by the Bureau of Dairy Industry, recently addressed the laboratory staff of the bureau on his research work in Vitamines E, F, and G. Dr. Evans is an outstanding scientist and has wide recognition in this work. He has just sailed for Europe where he will visit the research laboratories of the leading institutions there.

Bureau of Chemistry Library

Our work-a-day routine was brightened on February 24th when the outside world of science and invention came to our door for assistance and we were able to lend our Bureau of Chemistry Bulletins to Thomas A. Edison. When fame touches us ever so lightly she leaves a breath of inspiration, and makes us glad to be of help to struggling inventors who may perhaps be a Thomas Edison in the making. Then let us not be downhearted, even when in vain search for vol. 18 of Recueil des travaux chimique des Pays-Bas you hear the fair stenographer ask the Chief of the Bureau for vol. 18 of "Recent travels" which is charged to him.

Prepared by Corabel Bien.

The second part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various methods of determining the rate of reaction. It is shown that the rate of reaction can be determined by measuring the change in concentration of the reactants or products, or by measuring the change in some other property of the system, such as the volume, the color, or the conductivity.

The third part of the paper is devoted to a discussion of the various factors which influence the rate of reaction. It is shown that the rate of reaction is influenced by the concentration of the reactants, the temperature, the presence of a catalyst, and the surface area of the reactants. It is also shown that the rate of reaction is influenced by the nature of the reactants and the nature of the products.

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The Library was visited last week by the Hampton Institute Library School, consisting of eight colored girls, with the principal, Miss Florence R. Curtis, who was formerly connected with the University of Illinois library school.

The Department Library has been stirring itself up a little recently, so as to be sure not to stagnate or get set in its ways. Mrs. Sullivan, who for several years has been promised experience in the Catalogue Division, has been working there for the past few weeks. In her absence, Mr. Koch is in charge of the current periodical desk. Miss Kees and Miss Hitz have made a temporary exchange of tasks in order that each may have a little more varied experience. Miss Kees is in the Catalogue Division at present and Miss Hitz at the Loan Desk. Another temporary exchange is that Miss Melbourne has gone to the Public Roads Library while Miss Doherty of that Library comes to us for a glimpse of our cataloguing practice. Mr. Smallwood is also helping temporarily in the Periodical Division of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library.

Visitors to the Department Library during the past month included Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, by whose visits we always feel honored, and Mr. Alleyne Ireland of New York, who is working on the biography of the pioneer nurseryman, George Ellwanger.

In return for services rendered by the Library to a recent Japanese visitor (though what the services were is not known), the Librarian has received a little bamboo basket containing a family of Japanese acorn dolls.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

Miss Lacy was able to return to the library for part of each day last week but was called hom the last of the week by the illness of her father. She will be at home indefinitely.

Mrs. Doris McLean, who has been in charge of the periodical desk, resigned on April 21st to go to Boston where her husband is now working. Mr. Earl Smallwood of the Department Library is temporarily in charge of the desk. As a farewell party for Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Dunton entertained the staff last week at a bridge-supper at her home.

Bureau of Dairy Industry Library

Bibliographical Contribution No. 17 entitled "Bibliography on Ice Cream up to and including the year 1926" has just been issued. It was compiled by Carrie B. Sherfy and Nell W. Smallwood, and is a classified list consisting of 291 pages and containing both an author and subject index.

The Eighth International Dairy Congress will meet in England next June. Among the twenty-five officials ^{delegates} from this country will be several from the Bureau of Dairy Industry.

Bureau of Entomology Library

Entomology Library is well populated at present. Dr. Bernard Trouvelot of the École Nationale d'Horticulture, Versailles, France, who spent some time with us last fall, has returned from a winter at Cornell and is keeping us busy answering all sorts of questions.

Dr. Bulger, formerly located at the Bee Station in Somerset, Maryland, has been transferred to the Washington Staff and has since spent practically all his time in the library working up a bibliography. He informed us the first day that he intended to be very careful in the library because the head of his office had warned him that if he incurred the displeasure of the librarians he might as well resign at once. We are doubtful as to whether or not it was a compliment, but have been feeling rather like the Three Fates ever since.

The Office of Cereal and Forage Insects under Dr. W. H. Larrimer is establishing a new field station at Arlington Farms, Virginia. Dr. Fred W. Poos will be in charge of the station and will study the part played by leaf-hoppers in the dissemination of alfalfa yellows. At present he also is located in the library while waiting for his laboratory to be finished.

We are happy to report that our insect population is also flourishing. The pet grasshoppers have successfully passed through their fourth molt and are now proudly displaying traces of wings. A serious surgical operation performed on the supposedly dead pupae of Samai cercopia hanging in our windows has established the fact that they are very much alive. The incision has been closed with a paper clip and the patients are resting comfortably. If anyone here has never seen the inside of a cocoon, we will be glad to demonstrate, although we should advise you to come soon, as we are now expecting "Maud" and "Agnes" to burst forth at any time.

Bureau of Plant Industry Library

Although libraries more usually function as conservers of material, there are times when destruction seems the better part. When the Botanical Catalog came over with Miss Atwood from the Bureau of Plant Industry, it was accompanied not only by various accessory indexes needed in carrying on the catalog itself, but by a dozen or so of supernumerary files which had grown up around it, more or less duplicating the catalog and each other. The Union catalog of botanical literature, so-called because it contains titles of a great number of works located in libraries outside of Washington, has been of great use not only in borrowing desired books not available in this city, but also as a guide in buying such books for our own library. As we did not wish to incorporate anything but botanical literature in the Union catalog, there were started at different times, or left over from various bibliographical undertakings, half a dozen files containing titles on general natural history, description and travel, agriculture and gardening, and periodicals of various classes, all containing some information not found elsewhere. It may be of some interest to Loan Desk assistants and some others in search of rare general works or periodicals to know that by a ruthless elimination and destruction of duplicating and superfluous cards, it has been possible to work all this information into one alphabet, labelled "MISCELLANEOUS" and filed beneath the main Union botanical catalog.

Section 1. General Principles

The purpose of this section is to establish the general principles which shall govern the interpretation and application of the provisions of this Act. It is hereby declared that the provisions of this Act shall be interpreted and applied in a manner which shall give effect to the intent and purpose of the Legislature in enacting the same.

It is further declared that the provisions of this Act shall be interpreted and applied in a manner which shall be consistent with the Constitution of the State of California. It is further declared that the provisions of this Act shall be interpreted and applied in a manner which shall be consistent with the public policy of the State of California.

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Section 2. Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to the provisions of this Act: "Person" shall mean any individual, partnership, corporation, or other legal entity; "Property" shall mean any real or personal property, whether tangible or intangible; "Contract" shall mean any agreement, whether written or oral, which creates a legal obligation; "Liability" shall mean any legal obligation, whether arising from contract, tort, or otherwise; "Damages" shall mean any compensation, whether in money or in kind, which is awarded to a person as a result of a legal action; "Beneficiary" shall mean any person who is entitled to receive a benefit, whether in money or in kind, from a legal action; "Executor" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to administer the estate of a decedent; "Administrator" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to administer the estate of a decedent; "Guardian" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to manage the property of a minor or an incompetent person; "Trustee" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to manage the property of a trust; "Beneficiary" shall mean any person who is entitled to receive a benefit, whether in money or in kind, from a trust; "Executor" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to administer the estate of a decedent; "Administrator" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to administer the estate of a decedent; "Guardian" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to manage the property of a minor or an incompetent person; "Trustee" shall mean any person who is appointed by a court to manage the property of a trust; "Beneficiary" shall mean any person who is entitled to receive a benefit, whether in money or in kind, from a trust.

Bureau of Public Roads Library

We have been "so full of a number of things" that the time since the last news letter has slipped around very quickly. It is also sometimes difficult to weed out from the crowded months the items which will be of interest to the library staff meeting.

Miss Doherty, who has had charge of our periodical desk, has joined the staff of the main Library temporarily, as cataloguer. Miss Melbourne from the main Library current entry desk, has come to us in her place. Exchanges such as this can not help but bring the main Library and the bureau library into closer cooperation and understanding of each others problems, especially libraries which are as remote as ours.

Recently we have been doing quite a bit of work for outside organizations. For instance, Dean Johnson, from the University of Maryland, has been having his classes work in our library from time to time. Much to our joy and satisfaction, we have been able to answer their questions with the aid of that bibliography over which we worked day and night, neglecting everything else, for the Highway Research Board.

Mr. Freeman from the Department of Public Works, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, has consulted us several times during the past month. Mr. Freeman is in charge of all tests and investigations in connection with a program consisting of about forty millions of dollars of highway and bridge construction work in Allegheny County. His work in Washington was connected with an investigation of brick pavements conducted by a Committee of experts appointed by the National Brick Paving Manufacturers' Association.

Europe is also giving us several distinguished visitors. First there is Mr. Hall from the Swedish Institute of Roads. He has been studying the highway problem from the economic standpoint, first with Dr. McKay here in the Bureau and later in a trip through the various sections of the country. During much of the time he was here, he made his headquarters in the Library. He has now returned to Sweden to build experimental roads in the southern part of that country.

Another visitor is Dr. Schildknecht from Switzerland, who has spent some time in Germany, France and Italy studying agricultural engineering research methods. He has now been secured by our Division of Agricultural Engineering on a project for the determination of the drainage index of soils. The ultimate object of this project is the determination of the depth and spacing of tile drains. About the first of July, Dr. Schildknecht will return to Switzerland to take charge of a new experiment station.

The work goes on each day with new problems, but there is a certain satisfaction to be had, when visitors can say, as did one gentleman from the outside, "I found just what I wanted, and didn't know it existed."

History of the Library

The first book in the collection was a copy of the "History of the Library" by John Smith, which was given to the library by the author in 1850. It is the only copy of this book in the collection. The book is a history of the library from its founding in 1800 to the present time. It is a very interesting and valuable work, and it is a pleasure to have it in the collection.

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May 18, 1928.

The Department Library is expecting a visit tomorrow from the Carnegie Library School of Pittsburgh, numbering 42. It will not be a good morning to use our Reference Room. With this visit, a District of Columbia Library Association meeting last evening, and the Special Libraries Association Conference in the city next week, we are having our library outlook considerably broadened just now.

The Special Libraries Association meeting will probably bring us a number of visitors. Mr. W. P. Cutter has already been in and is here this afternoon to speak to us. Miss Troy, Librarian of the Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research, Miss Simpson, Librarian of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, and Mrs. Wetmore, of the Henry L. Doherty Company, have written us that they were coming to the Library. Miss Marian Bowman, formerly of the Office of Farm Management Library, is also to be here for the meeting.

The only member of the Department Library staff, so far as we know, who feels sure of going to the A. L. A. at West Baden, Indiana, the week of May 28th, is Miss Wilkins, who is to have a paper on agricultural periodicals before the Agricultural Libraries Section. Miss Barnett may go, but is not sure.

Mrs. Waterman and Mrs. Dailey, both formerly of the library staff, have now a little daughter apiece. Mrs. Waterman's is younger but Mrs. Dailey's is smaller.

The Library (main and bureau contributed the sum of \$46.00 to the D. C. Library Association fund for entertainment of the Special Libraries Association and the Mexican delegates.

Word has just been received of the death of Miss Anna Howard, who has been absent from the Office of Experiment Station's staff for over a year on account of illness. Previous news of Miss Howard's condition has been quite favorable and she was hoping to return soon to her work.

Bureau of Dairy Industry Library

About eighty-five members of the American Dairy Federation visited the Bureau of Dairy Industry May 8 and 9. The visitors were conducted through the laboratories where work on ice cream, cheese, condensed and powdered milk, and other investigations were explained, as well as problems concerning milk production, dairy herd improvement, feeding, milk plant management, sanitation, and market milk and cream. Luncheon was served by the bureau, consisting almost entirely of food made in part or entirely of dairy products. The second day they visited the dairy experimental farm at Beltsville, Maryland, where the investigational work in nutrition, milk secretion, and breeding was explained. A cattle show was also staged, illustrating various phases of breeding experiments.

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Bureau of Dairy Industry Library (Cont'd)

The three members chosen to represent the Department of Agriculture at the International Dairy Congress which will be held in England next month are as follows: Assistant Secretary Dunlap; Dr. L. A. Rogers, Acting Chief of the Bureau of Dairy Industry; and Mr. R. C. Potts, Chief of the Division of Dairy and Poultry Products, Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Bureau of Home Economics Library

Mrs. Nystrom states she's too busy looking up the food value of popcorn for news notes.

Bureau of Public Roads Library

Day by day, in every way, we are growing and growing. Since the last meeting a new member has been added to our staff. Mrs. Jane Stahl has come to us from the Division of Accounts to take charge of the Congressional material. Just for the first session of this Congress we have as much material as we had for the whole of last Congress. As a result it really requires the time of one person to keep this material arranged, indexed and in the hands of those vitally interested.

Like most every other library, we are hindered by the lack of space, so when we were faced with the necessity of adding another large desk to the number we already have, it was a problem indeed, to effect a satisfactory rearrangement. We drew the library and its furnishings to scale, and for awhile played house like children. As a result, we are now in the middle of the moving process in real earnest. No play about this. Books, books everywhere like the drops of water in the ocean - on the floor, the cases and the desks. In fact, very shortly we shall each disappear behind a barricade of books and pamphlets. But the world moves on and each day brings its changes.

This next week will no doubt bring two great incentives - one to us professionally as librarians and the other to us as Government workers, to say nothing of the week following with the A. L. A.

"Special Libraries" is meeting here next week with its headquarters at the Washington. Dealing each day with one's own little problems and trials, causes mental staleness, but new people with different problems either new ones or old ones solved in new ways, is a stimulation and adds new zest to the job. It's so easy to get into a rut.

Then there is the Welch bill. It has been some time since the poor government clerk has been in the limelight. But we have worked together, and obtained what we started after - maybe. Politics certainly move mountains even better than faith sometimes. The next two weeks will tell.

Weather Bureau Library

Miss Putnam of the Weather Bureau Library is back again on full-time after an operation.

Report of the Joint Committee on the Administration of the Government

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Visitors to the main Library during the past month included Mme. Khmelnitzky of the Russian Department of Labor, the Mexican delegation to the A. L. A., in Washington on a post-conference trip, and special librarians in large numbers during the Special Libraries Association meetings.

Miss Ida Campbell, one of the reference librarians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, visited Miss Barnett June 19th.

Dr. Uphof, Professor of Botany at Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida, is doing some special research work in the Library for Doctor Orton of the Tropical Plant Research Foundation.

We are sorry to lose Miss Nanele Kees, who left us May 31 to become Assistant Librarian of the Hygienic Laboratory.

Three members of the staff will attend summer schools: Miss Melbourne goes July 5 to take courses in library science at Chautauqua, Justin Winkle is taking library science classes at George Washington University and Mr. Koch has returned to St. Paul to complete the work for his degree at the University of Minnesota.

Miss Katherine Upton sails Monday for a short vacation in Ireland, Scotland and England.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

Among recent visitors to the library were Mr. Y. M. Tung of Shanghai, China, a student in Cornell University; Prof. Gee and Dr. Kilpatrick of the University of Virginia who were here in connection with the work of the Institute for Social Research; and Prof. John R. Fain of the University of Georgia.

Miss Bercaw went to New York June 4th to examine some books not available in Washington for the index to official sources of agricultural statistics of California.

Since the adjournment of Congress a list of the agricultural relief bills proposed during the session has been compiled and is being mimeographed. It comprises over 150 bills, more than a third of which relate to changes in the tariff.

The vacation season has begun. Miss Bercaw is spending two weeks in South Carolina; Miss Carpenter starts for Europe this week, to be gone until August; and Miss Day is going to California in July.

June 17, 1900

1. 10, 1900

Reference to the report of the Special Agent in Charge of the Division of Entomology, dated June 10, 1900, is hereby made. The report contains a list of the names of the persons who have been identified as having been in the vicinity of the place where the insects were found.

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Bureau of Entomology Library

Summer has officially begun according to the newspapers. Entomology library knows it, for a representative from the Star has already been to see us about the mosquitoes at the President's summer resort! Also we know it because the time for binding has arrived and 200 volumes have been prepared the last month to send via the main Library and direct through the Bureau.

Miss Carabelli, who was called home in May by the illness and death of her mother, returned to us last Monday.

The Fourth International Congress of Entomology meets at Ithaca, N. Y., August 12-18. It is expected that over 100 entomologists from abroad may be there, and possibly some of the library staff of the Bureau of Entomology!

Bureau of Home Economics Library

Miss Jones of the Fairchild Publications and Miss Hickey of Commerce and Finance, who were attending the Special Libraries meeting here, visited our library.

The library received some publications from the library of Mrs. Alice Peloubet Norton, who died recently. Among them were a number of Bureau of Chemistry and Office of Experiment Station bulletins which are out of print now.

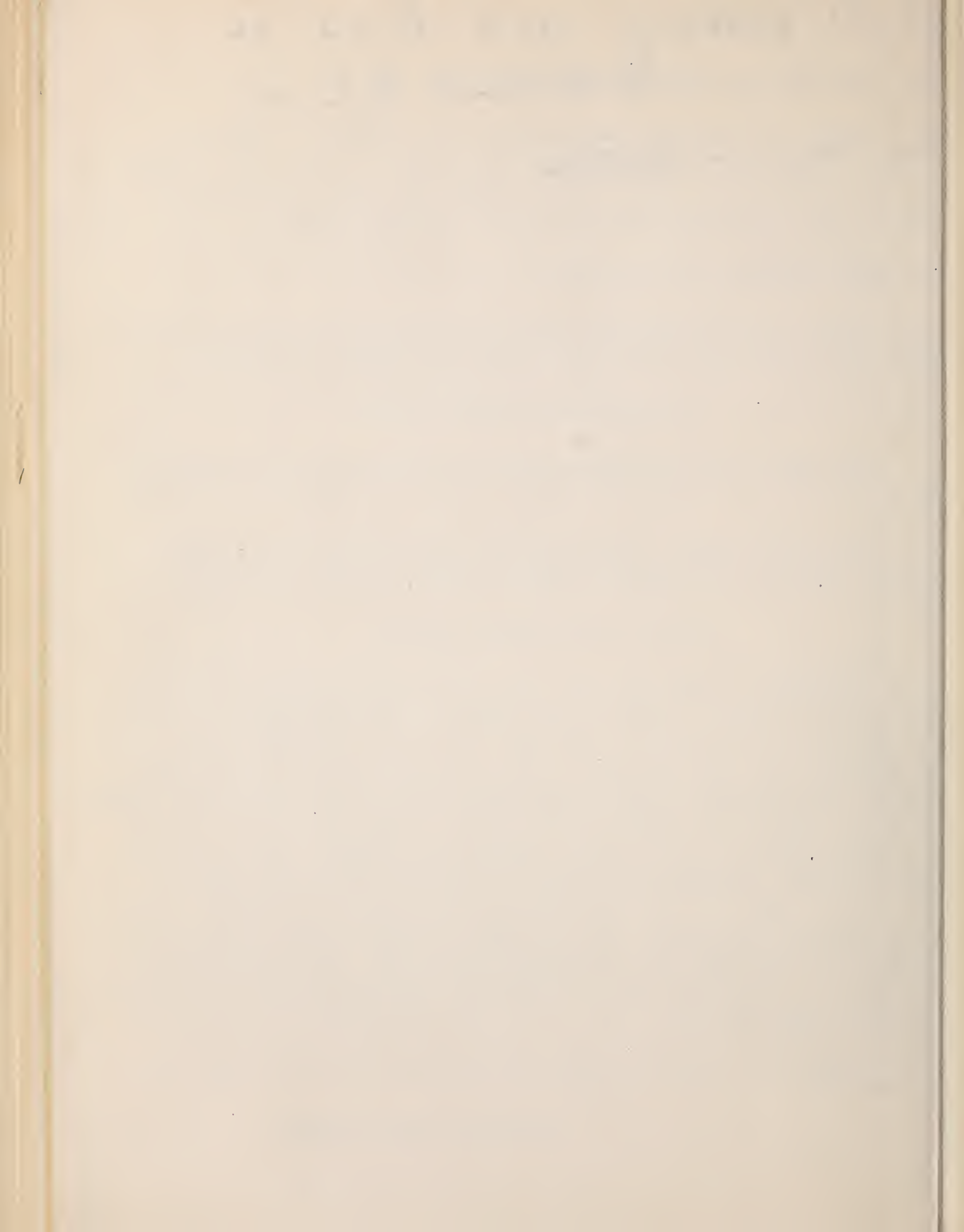
Bureau of Plant Industry Library

Bibliographical Contribution No. 16, entitled "Author and subject index to the publications on plant pathology issued by the state agricultural experiment stations up to December 1, 1927," is now completed. The mimeographing is practically all done and distribution will be made soon after if not before the first of July. This index has been in preparation for about a year and a half but most of the work has been done in the past six months. Miss Allen had much assistance from Miss Warner in its compilation and had advisory assistance from Miss Barnett, Miss Atwood and some of the plant pathologists of the Bureau. Of the 251 pages of the index, 109 are the author section which gives titles of the publications; the remainder the subject section in which titles are omitted to save space. There are 13 introductory pages, including lists of series covered and of scientific names of plants with reference to common names used as subject entries. A subject index to the station publications on plant pathology was planned by Miss Eunice R. Oberly, former Librarian of the Bureau, before her death in 1921. It is a great satisfaction to the staff that this plan has been carried out. The entries are not so detailed as in Miss Oberly's plan. The amount of literature issued by the stations since 1921 is so large that only the entries used in our plant pathology subject catalog have been included.

Miss Marjorie F. Warner is spending the month of June at her summer home in New Hampshire.

Prepared by Roberta Chapman.

Oct. Meeting, 1928, held at
Univ. Women's Club.
No newsletter.



Material used at dinner,
Library Staff, Oct. 1928, at
Univ. Women's Club.

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Miss Atwood

Introductory remarks by Miss Barnett. In this she says also that Miss Atwood will announce the various numbers.

Soup course

Miss Announces that ballots will be taken up at beginning of ~~dinner~~ course and result announced by the end of the evening.

She also announces special musical number.

Dinah Washington.

Main course.

Diners progress.

Songs led by Miss Pendleton. Mrs. Wilkes at the piano.

Salad course.

Same as above.

Dessert course.

Introduction of library people by Miss Atwood.

Stunt sponsored by Miss Pendleton.

Announcement of ballots.

Possible songs led by Miss Pendleton.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
1634 EYE STREET NORTHWEST
WASHINGTON, D. C.

R.
Miss Claribel Barnett 1661 Crescent Place

TO American Association of University Women, DR.

Oct.

SETTLEMENTS REQUIRED MONTHLY

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ST. ELIZABETH'S HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE.

Congress Heights, D. C.

Oct. 26, 1928.

To the Head of the Library Dinner;

Dear Madam:

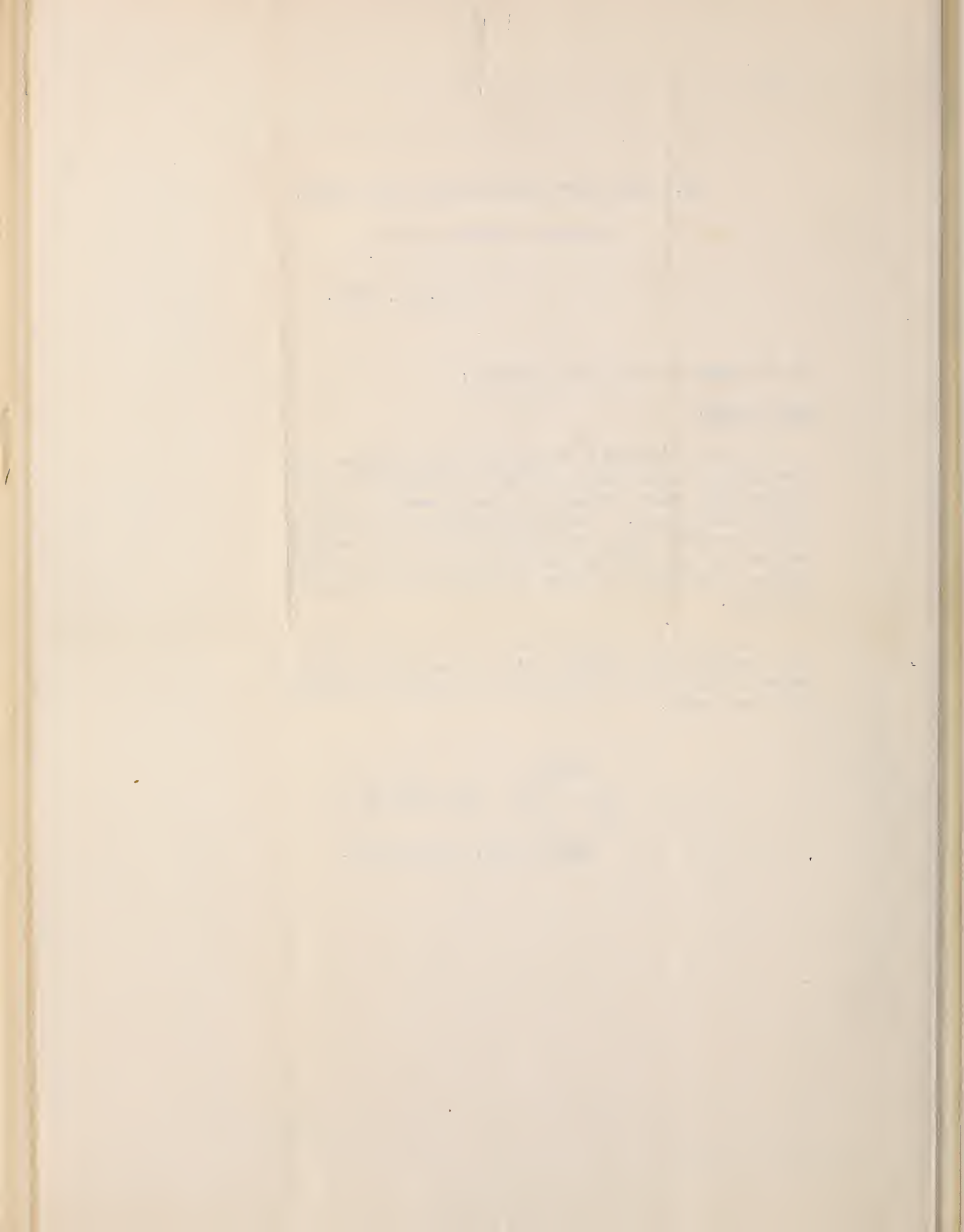
We have just had a telephone communication from the American Association of University Women to the effect that queer noises have been emanating from their dining room. As three persons have just escaped from Ward C of this institution, I am sending members of my staff to examine your group for their hidden complexes, in order to apprehend the missing patients.

I sincerely trust that this interruption will not disturb your program, but I am sure you will cooperate with me for the safety of others as well as for your group.

Yours,

J. Z. White

Head of St. Elizabeth's.



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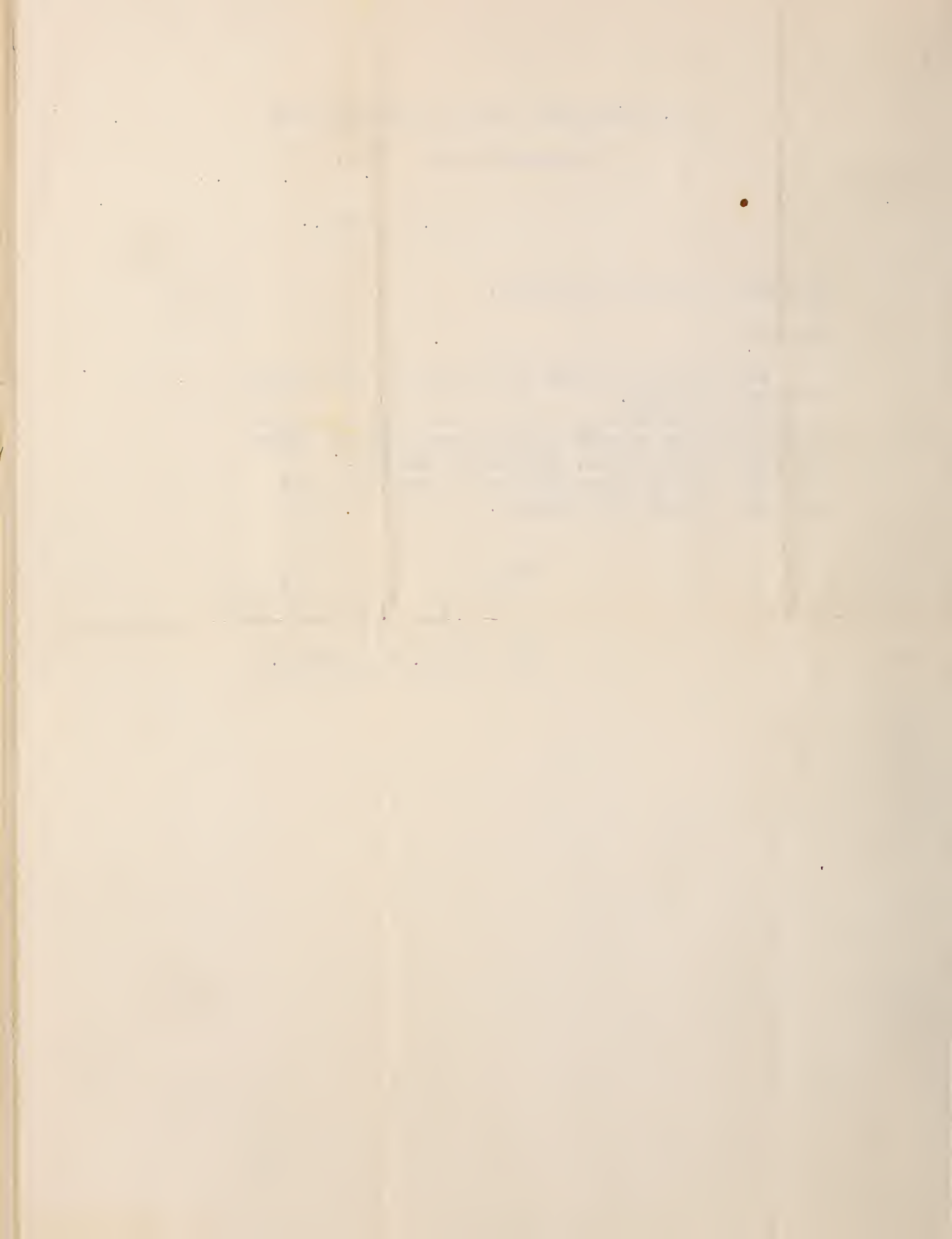
Further examination will be unnecessary as I am advised that my escaped patients are operating under the names of Pendleton, Bercau, and Chapman.

We are sending an ambulance immediately, and beg that you hold the usuroers.

Your,

J. J. White

Head of St. Elizabeth's.



We're Here for fun (Tune - "Boola Song")

(Tune - Auld Lang Syne)

We're here for fun right from the start
So drop your dignity -
Just laugh and sing with all your heart
And show your loyalty -
May all your troubles be forgot.
Let this night be the best;
Join in the songs we sing tonight,
Be happy with the rest.

Mr.....Mr.....

We are singing
Praises ringing
We shall never find your equal
Mr.....here's to you -
Hah! Hah! Hah!
Here's to you.

You're a Dandy

Smiles

Tune - "Smiles"

There are smiles from Indiana,
There are smiles from Idaho,
There are smiles from Maine to California
There are smiles from North to Mexico
There are smiles all over this great nation,
In whatever state your footsteps fall
But the smiles that come from _____
Are the smiles that are best of all.

Tune - "Reuben and Rachel"

.....You're a dandy
And when you are old and gray
We will serve you 'lasses candy
On a lovely golden tray.

.....You're a wonder
And when you are old and gray
We will all say "YIP", by thunder,
You were some girl (boy) in your day.

Our Boys Will Shine Tonight

Till We Meet Again

Smile the while we bid you fond adieu,
We have had a happy time with you;
To the vision we'll be true
Till another time unites us.
Then we'll meet again so merrily
For we'll have a pleasant memory;
There's lots of fun for you and me
When we meet again.

.....will shine tonight
.....will shine
.....will shine tonight
.....will shine
We're all dressed up tonight
That's one good sign
When the sun goes down
And the moon comes up -
.....will shine

(Tune of Tipperary)

It's a good time to get acquainted,
It's a good time to know
Who is sitting close beside you
And to smile and say, "Hello".

(Tune - "Row your boat")

How, how, how'd'you do
How, my friend, are you?
I am glad to say, I'm fine today;
I trust that you are too.
Chew, chew, chew your food.
Gaily through the meal,
The more you laugh, the more you eat
The better you will feel.

Goodbye that lonesome feeling,
Goodbye glassy stare;
Here's my hand,
My name is _____
Now put yours right there.

This is the very pattern of a modern libraree
We've information vegetable, animal and dairee
We know the names of fungi and diseases horticultural
And other matters scientific, useable and cultural
We're very well acquainted, too, with matters economical
And can answer any question, be it serious or comical,
About the cost of living in Kamchatka or Peoria,
With tables and statisticsthat could hardly fail to bore you
We're very good at structural and other kinds of botany,
We know the Latin names of plants whenever they have got any,
In short, in matters vegetable, animal and dairy
We are the very model of a modern libraree.

Our chief is an example of modesty sublime --
She'll rack her brain or clap her bones to please you any time --
A customer who's satisfied and filled up to the brim
With agricultural knowledge is her very dearest whim.

Miss Barnett, Miss Ethel Smith, Mr. Umhau.
(right hand woman & right hand man)

While they who do the reference work, they never let you go,
Until they've found the answer to all you wish to know.

Miss Hawks, Miss Bien.

Perhaps you want a little loan, or e'en a big one too?
Just patronize Miss Upton (G.) and her obliging crew.

Miss G. Upton, Miss Melbourne, Mr. Justin Winkle.

Perchance you search a tiny fact so new it's hardly out?
The Periodical Room's the place -- they'll know what you're about.

Miss Wilkins, Miss Hopper, Miss Dorothy Smith, Miss Benton,
Mr. Canavin, Mr. Shipley, Mr. Koch.

Maybe you want to "pull" a tale or look at the old "cat"?
Miss Thompson and her faithful few will show you where they're at.

Miss Thompson, Miss. K.G. Upton, Miss Chapman, Miss Davis,
Miss Doherty, Miss Hegeman, Miss Hitz, Mrs. Sullivan.

And when a newcomer arrives and asks his way around,
Our young men jump alertly, and this is how they sound.
"There's the Main Libraree, B.A.E. and B.A.I. and Ent.
And O.E.S. and B.P.I. and to Roads you mighta went,
There's Dairee and Home Econ., Pomol. & Plant Control,
The Weather Bureau and Chem, I trow, Now where will you go
Lost Soul?"

Miss Beckwith is from Chem. and Soils and Mrs. Gill is too
They can give you full directions for mixing brass or ormolu.
Of quantitative, inorganic, analytic articles
They have a lot - with pictures some, of atoms and of particles.

Miss Beckwith, Mrs. Gill.

Plant Industry is noted for its lists of current literature
Invaluable to botanists professional and amateur
Where in are listed articles from many different latitudes
Some startling, some original and others merely platitudes.

Miss Allen, Miss Colvin, Miss Pendleton, Miss Warner, Miss Atwood.

At Public Roads they deal with maps and other hints for tourists
They tip you off on traffic rules and routes that are the surest
They have most fascinating books, with wealth of neat designs
For bridges, dams and levees, and unique "No Parking" signs.

Miss Evans, Mrs. Wilks, Miss Needham, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Stahl.

If you would learn of butterflies, their life and their psychology,
Their alphabet and etiquette - then haste to Entomology.
The pedigrees of honey-bees and other Hymenoptera
Are kept most carefully as well as those of Coleoptera.

Miss Colcord, *Miss Barnes, Mrs. Caswell*

Now B.A.E. is headed by Miss Lacy and Miss Olcott
For books of economics, rural life and such they care a lot
They can give you dope on any place that's found in the geographies
They have a large and noble staff and dote on bibliographies.

Miss Lacy, Miss Olcott, Miss Carpenter, Miss Day, Miss Bercaw,
Mrs. Hannay, Miss Herb, Miss Coult, Mr. Hardin, Mr. Smallwood.

Miss Sherfy, Mrs. Smallwood and Miss Williford are from Dairy
They know the names of all the cows that stroll about the prairie
They lunch each day on fifty four varieties of cheeses
And milkshakes too, and cookies blue, and chocolate whipped-cream
freezes.

Miss Sherfy, Miss Williford, Mrs. Smallwood.

The Weather Bureau library is furnished with thermometers,
And almanacs, and weather maps, and aneroid barometers
When these and other instruments are read without timidity
Then you can say "It's not so much the heat as the humidity".

Miss Putnam, Miss Whitcomb.

The three initials O E S stand for Experiment stations
They specialize in 4 - H camps and interstate relations
Their editors review each book, from contents unto epitaph
And boil it down concisely into one neat witty paragraph.

Miss Barnes, Mr. George Winkle.

B.A.I. Miss Potter; Biol. Surv. Miss Knappen; Pomol. & Hort. Miss.
Newman., Publications, Miss Whitlock.

Our guests

Miss E. Lacy, Miss Kees, Miss Welsh, Miss Williford.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Library

Newsletter

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November 23, 1928.

We are sorry to record some losses in our staff since the last meeting. Miss Crowther, who has been in the Library for many years, first as bookkeeper and later as cataloguer, has left us to take a position as cataloguer in the Library of Congress. We shall greatly miss her efficient service. Miss Davis is taking over Miss Crowther's work, and Miss Hitz is relieving Miss Davis of some of her former duties.

Miss Ruth Hohnhaus, who came to us last Winter as a typist for the catalogue division, resigned this Fall.

Miss Bacon this Fall worked in the Bureau of Entomology Library for two months, while Miss Carabelli was absent. We are very glad to have her back again.

New appointments during or since Summer are Miss Mildred Benton, who is working at the Continuation desk, Miss Gladys Stacy, who is typist in the Catalogue Division, Miss Dorothy Smith at the Current periodical desk, James Lynagh, messenger, who is shelving the books, William Howe, messenger, who is pasting and marking books, and Miss Ella Miller, who is changing call numbers on books and catalogue cards.

An innovation in the Reference Room is the presence there of a messenger, whose special duty it is to get books from the shelves for users, but who performs many other useful offices there. Justin Winkle is assigned to this place, and Harold Arps is taking his former work at the Loan Desk.

In order to make room for this additional desk without crowding out any readers' tables, of which we have too few, we had the partition at the entrance to the room removed, doing away with the vestibule there.

Miss Hogeman and Mrs. Sullivan, formerly in the Periodical Division, are at present working in the Catalogue Division.

Mrs. Joseph, who was in the Department Library several years ago and then in the Bureau of Plant Industry Library, but who has recently been in the Office of Information, has resigned her position to go to Florida to live. Although not a member of the Library staff, Mrs. Joseph had a desk in the library, because her work was the verification of bibliographies in manuscripts submitted for publication. Her place is taken by Miss Whitlock, formerly of the Bureau of Home Economics.

Miss Melbourne, who for some time has been at the current entry desk, is now assisting at the Loan Desk, while Miss Hitz, who had been there during the Summer, is back in the Catalogue Division.

We often mention some of the users of the Library from outside the Department, especially from foreign countries, but there have been too many of these since June for enumeration. We have had some of the overflow of Russian entomologists from the Bureau of Entomology and the combination of a Russian and a Japanese visitor today was not an unusual incident. Unfortunately the members of the Russian class are as yet unable to converse in that tongue.

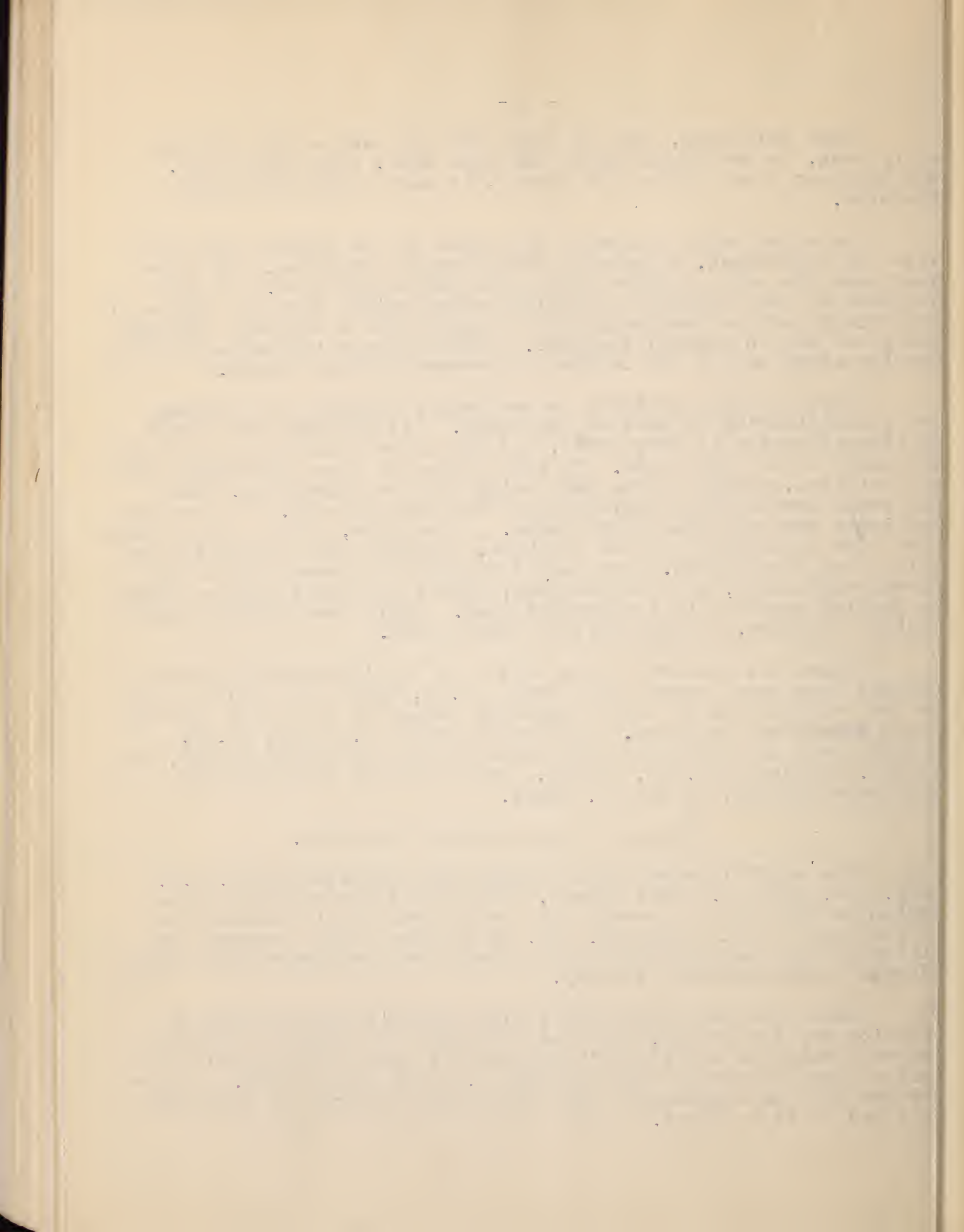
The Catalogue Division is now making progress in changing the classification of some of our books. As you know our scheme of classification is very broad, has had to be tinkered considerably and needs to be still more. In some places we have established new subdivisions, which we have been using for new accessions, while the books previously classified have not been changed. We are now working on some of these older books. The ducks, turkeys and guineas have been separated from the chickens, drainage from irrigation and soils from fertilizers. The next job will be to separate the different vegetables, so that potatoes, onions and beets will no longer be jumbled together in a vegetable hash. Fruits and flowers need a similar division, but this will be much later.

Three new numbers in the series of Bibliographical Contributions have been issued since June: no. 16, author and subject index to the publications on plant pathology issued by the State Agricultural Experiment Stations, compiled by Jessie M. Allen; no. 18, Agricultural and home economics extension in the United States, by Cora L. Feldkamp; no. 19, Cattle, sheep and goat production in the range country, by Emma B. Hawks.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

The staff luncheon last Tuesday was addressed by Dr. L.C. Gray, who, with Mr. Asher Hobson, constituted the American Delegation to the General Assembly of the International Institute of Agriculture in Rome recently. Dr. Gray spoke of the present condition of the Institute and of the plans for the future which were adopted by the General Assembly.

Since the last News Notes, Miss Olcott's bibliography on Taxation and the Farmer, which was accepted by American University as her thesis for her Master's degree, has been mimeographed as Agricultural Economics Bibliography no. 25 and distributed. A type-written list on Large-Scale and Corporation Farming has also been compiled by Miss Olcott.



Several members of the staff attended a number of the meetings of the Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities this week, being especially interested in papers showing how the work of this Bureau is being used by the extension forces.

Recent visitors to the Library include Dr. Bachman of the University of Bern, Switzerland, and Mr. Matsuda of Japan.

Changes in the staff since the last News Notes are as follows: Miss Gill resigned July 1st to take charge of the Science Service library. Mr. Robert Hardin has been appointed to her position. Mr. Smallwood has been transferred from the Main Library to fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. McLean's resignation.

Entomology.

Miss Carabelli, who has been at her home in Youngstown, Ohio, for the past two months, returned to us November sixteenth. During her absence we greatly appreciated having with us Miss Bacon from the Main Library.

August 12th to 18th Miss Hawes and Miss Colcord attended the Fourth International Congress of Entomology at Ithaca, N. Y., of which Dr. Howard was president. Over 600 were present at the Congress, more than 100 of whom were foreign guests representing 39 different countries. Many of these foreign guests later visited Washington and our bureau and its library. The meetings of the Congress were most interesting and its social side was delightful. Besides meeting many people who had formerly been but names to us we made several visits to the libraries of Cornell University and made many excursions to the beautiful falls and gorges in the vicinity of Ithaca.

O. E. S. Library.

Miss Mildred Wilson, who came to O. E. S. last January, went to the Public Roads Library July 1st to accept a permanent position.

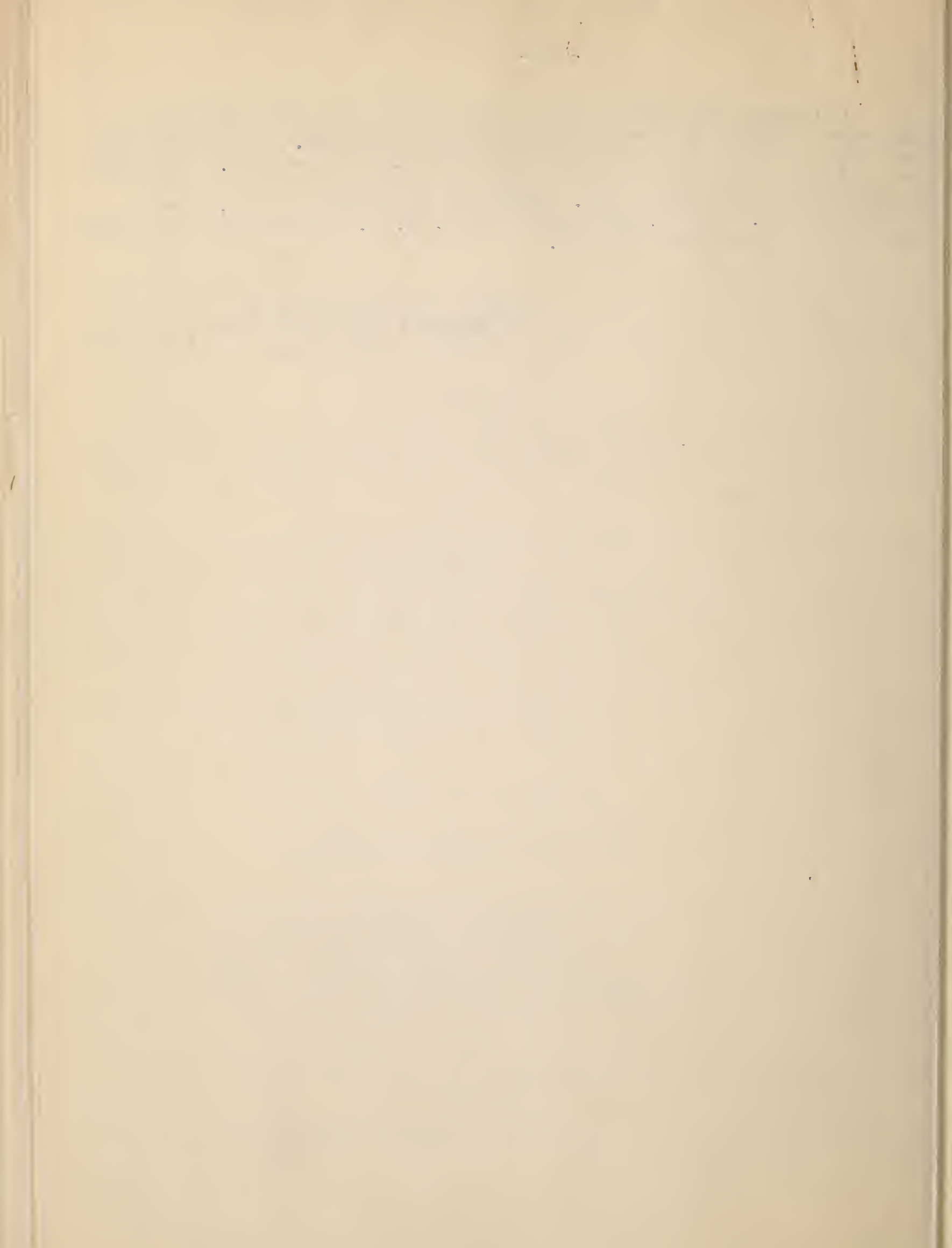
Mr. Albert Helvestine, who came to us in 1933, left August 17th to accept the position of Junior Library Assistant in the Patent Office. During the time Mr. Helvestine was employed in O.E.S. he attended night school, graduating from the Technical High School and then taking up work in George Washington University. During one summer session he took the course in Library Science.

We were very fortunate in securing Mr. George A. Winkle August 22 to succeed Mr. Helvestine.

Miss Virginia Barnes is with us temporarily. She began work October 26th and Mr. Corbin has promised that she can stay with us at least three months.

Owing to the lack of funds for printing it is necessary to make some changes in the Experiment Station Record. Beginning with the January number the table of contents will be omitted. Although the table of contents will no longer be printed it is necessary to prepare it for office use. Three copies will be made, one filing with Mr. Knight, the second in C. E. S. Library and the third copy in the Department Library.

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Miss Doherty, who has been in the Catalogue Division for several months and was previously in the Public Roads Library, has left us to take a position in the Library of the Department of State.

Miss Trolinger is taking the winter away from work in order to go to Florida with her parents. She expects to be gone until about the first of May. Mrs. Sullivan is taking charge of the records of Department publications in her absence.

Miss Margaret Hall has been appointed to a temporary position in the Library and is learning the work at the current entry desk.

Mr. Shipley, whose temporary appointment in the Library is over, is working in our storeroom for the Branch Library of the Agricultural Department of the University of California at Davis, Calif., which is desirous of obtaining some of our duplicate publications for its collections. Mr. Shipley, under Miss Barnett's direction is picking out some publications and listing others to send to this library, and, incidentally, to several other libraries which are interested. Miss Barnett hopes to get most of our duplicates, which have been collecting for years, and weigh on us like a millstone, looked over and either placed in good homes or destroyed, so that we can begin again with a clean slate.

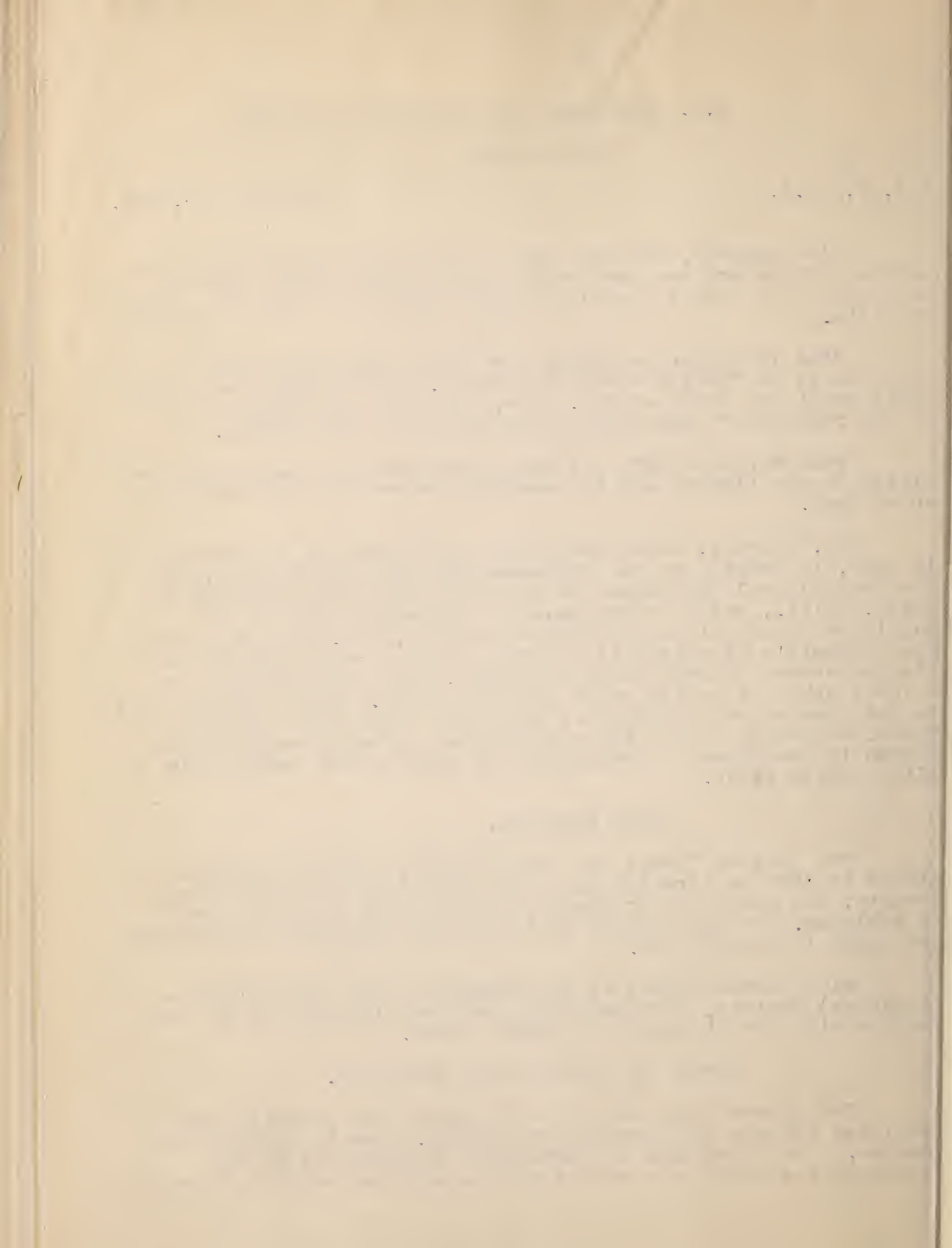
Plant Industry.

The list of "Books for Plant Study", compiled by Miss Atwood in 1927 as Circular 14 of the Wild Flower Preservation Society, has been much in demand, particularly for class work in colleges. It was brought up to date and reissued in February and again in August 1928.

Miss Warner talked at the meeting of the American Horticultural Society, December 11th, on some difficulties in connection with the study of old garden books.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Two typewritten lists of references have recently been completed and may be borrowed for copying. One is entitled Exchanges, A Selected List of References on Exchanges in the United States Handling Agricultural Commodities, with Particular



Reference to Future Trading, and is compiled by Louise O. Barcaw. The other is the Beginning of a Bibliography on Land Valuation, with Special Reference to Farm Land, compiled by Emily L. Day.

Miss Olcott has been kept at home for nearly a week with the grippe.

Miss Harrison is spending this month with her family in Alabama. Miss Herb is taking her place at the Periodical Desk.

The following letters have just been received in the Bureau:

Gentlemen:

I received fourteen bulletins on insects from you, for which I thank you very much. This was the best favor that was ever done to me.

We are thinking to buy a farm about in Spring, so we would like to know as much as possible about farms.

I wonder if there are books, like the encyclopedias, which have all the little facts about a farm. If you know where such books can be obtained then please tell me and I will be very thankful to you."

"Crops and Markets",
United States Department of Agriculture,
Washington,

"In reference to our circular No. 117 of March 22, I am taking the liberty of begging you, if you continue to favor us with sending your important publication, to kindly have it sent invariably with this address: - - - - - This is for the purpose of avoiding, in advance, disagreeable and unfavorable wanderings."

